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In response to the Office Action dated January 24, 2006, in connection with the above-identified patent application, please consider the following amendment and remarks.

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

REMARKS

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.